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Frequently Asked Questions About Hyperfix 65/70

Q: What is Hyperfix 65/70?

A: Hyperfix 65/70 is an innovative method of interstate road repair. The project will completely close the combined stretch of I-65 and I-70 on Indianapolis' near-Eastside.

Q: How long will the project last?

A: Hyperfix 65/70 is scheduled to last 85 days -including 62 weekdays -between May 26 and Aug. 19, 2003. Repairs will take place 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Q: How many people will be affected by this closure?

A: About 175,000 cars and trucks travel the combined section of I-65 and I-70 each day. The 85-day closure will result in detours and other alternate driving routes. Conventional construction and lane repairs on this section of roadway would take more than 250 days, and would lead to ramp closures, increased traffic congestion and a higher risk for construction-related accidents.

Q: Why is this repair project necessary?

A: This stretch of roadway was built more than 25 years ago. Tests recently completed on sections of pavement and bridge decks indicated a strong need to repair and, in some cases, completely replace sections of the interstate. By initiating this project when there are no planned closures along I-465, we completely open that interstate loop to residents and visitors as an alternate route.

Q: What repairs will be made along this interstate section?

A: Hyperfix 65/70 will provide much needed rehabilitation to 33 bridge decks and approximately 35 lane miles of pavement. A travel lane will be added for I-70 eastbound traffic beginning on the ramp from Pine Street and connecting to an existing eastbound lane on I-70. Additionally, the I-65/I-70 south split will be widened, adding 4,000 feet of merge lanes extending to the Raymond Street ramp. Hyperfix 65/70 will add at least 10 to 15 years of service life to the project area.

Q: What are the safety benefits of total road closure?

A: By shutting down the combined section of interstate, Hyperfix 65/70 will provide a safe work environment for construction workers and motorists using alternate routes and detours associated with the shutdown.

Q: How much money will this construction method save?

A: The "quick fix" approach provided by Hyperfix 65/70 will save Indiana taxpayers more than \$1 million (in lost wages, lost productivity, etc.) for each day that traditional construction would add to the project.

Q: Where can I find alternate route information?

A: The Hyperfix 65/70 Web site is the primary source for recommended alternate routes. Visit the site at www.hyperfix6570.in.gov. Prominent signage also will direct traffic both around the city and into downtown.